Torrance, California November 26, 1946

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber on Tuesday, November 26, 1946, at 7:53 p.m.

Mayor Sherfey called the meeting to order.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering present being Councilmen: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. Absent: Councilmen: None.

All those present in the Council Chamber saluted the Flag.

Councilman Powell moved that the minutes of a Regular Meeting held November 12, 1946, and the minutes of an Adjourned Regular Meeting held November 18, 1946, be approved as written. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett announced that the Bids for Pipe and Fittings for Municipal Water District No. 1 and Municipal Improvement District No. 1 would be ready for opening within five minutes. Mayor Sherfey declared a four minute recess to give Clerk Bartlett an opportunity to prepare the Bids.

At 7:58 p.m., Mayor Sherfey called the meeting to order and announced the opening of the Bids. Clerk Bartlett opened and read the following Bids for Municipal Water District No. 1:

BIDDER	PRODUCT	BID
National Cast Iron Pipe 1930 West Olympic Blvd. Los Angeles, Calif.	Cast Iron Pipe Pipe fittings	\$ 9512.00 1057.82
(Price includes Sales or Use	Tax) To	tals \$10569.82
Armco Drainage & Metal Products Company, Inc. 409 Leroy Street Los Angeles, Calif. (Price is Seller's current pr	Steel Pipe	\$40138 <b>,</b> 36
Crane Company	Gate Valves	\$ 2583.20
321 E. Third Street	Fire Hydrants	477.11
Los Angeles, Calif.	Pipe Fittings	449.86
(Price does not include appli	cable taxes)	\$ 3510.17
James Jones Company, Inc. 201 Leroy Street Los Angeles, Calif.	Fire Hydrants	<b>\$ 679.25</b>
Grinnell Company	Gate Valves	\$2583.20
520 Mateo Street	Fire Hydrants	679.25
Los Angeles, Calif.	Pipe Fittings	1813.18
	Steel Pipe and Fit	tings <u>439.49</u>
*	*	<b>\$55</b> 15.12
Western Pipe and Steel Co.	Steel Pipe	\$48872.00
Los Angeles, California		Section of the Sectio

BIDDER	PRODUCT	BID
Rich Manufacturing Co. 3851 Santa Fe Avenue Los Angeles, California (Prices do not include Sales T	Gate Valves	\$ 2583,20
Rensselaer Valve Co. 1005 Subway Terminal Bldg. Los Angeles, California	Gate Valves	\$ 2647.87
Western Water Works Supply Co. 2600 San Fernando Road Los Angeles, California	Fire Hydrants Pipe Fittings	\$ 696.28 1277.70 \$ 1973.98
Southern Pipe & Casing Co. Post Office Box C Azusa, California	Steel Pipe	\$41948.65

Mayor Sherfey moved that these Bids for Pipe and Fittings for Municipal Water District No. 1 be referred to Taylor and Taylor, Consulting Engineers, for a decision. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett opened and read the following Bid for Municipal Improvement District No. 1:

BIDDER	PRO	DUCT	BID	
National Cast Iron Pipe		B&S Class 150 Pipe	\$0.75 per	ft.
1930 West Olympic Blvd.	4,800' 6"x18'	ditto	1.14 "	17
Los Angeles, California	3,600' 8"x18'	ditto	1.72 "	17
(Prices do not include S	Sales Tax)			

Mayor Sherfey moved that the Bid for Cast Iron Pipe for Municipal Improvement District No. 1 be referred to Mr. W. H. Stanger, Water Superintendent, and to the City Attorney for a decision. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

At 8:25 p.m., Mayor Sherfey announced that the time had arrived for canvassing the returns of the Special Election held November 19, 1946; the election having been held to determine whether or not that certain municipal water district known as Municipal Water District No. 2 of the City of Torrance should incur a bonded debt of \$174,000.00 to pay the costs and expenses of the acquisition and construction of a water works system.

Clerk Bartlett opened and presented the "Tally List" to the Councilmen for canvassing the returns, the result of which was 113 votes for and 21 votes against the proposition, amounting to a total vote of 134. There were no absentee voter ballots issued for this election.

Clerk Bartlett then presented and read in full the following "Statement of the City Clerk":

#### STATEMENT OF THE CITY CLERK

I, A. H. BARTLETT, City Clerk of the City of Torrance, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY AND DECLARE that the City Council of the City of Torrance, at a regular meeting duly held on November 26, 1946, has duly and regularly canvassed the returns of the special election held in Municipal Water District No. 2 of the City of Torrance on November 19, 1946 and has declared the result of said election.

That the bond proposition voted upon at said election is as follows:

"PROPOSITION: Shall that certain municipal water district known as Municipal water District No. 2 of the City of Torrance, California, incur a bonded debt in the sum of \$174,000.00 to pay the costs and expenses of the acquisition and construction of a water distribution system for supplying said district and the inhabitants thereof with water for domestic, agricultural, industrial or other purposes, said distribution system to consist of a main to extend from the water main of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California in 190th Street westerly to Hawthorne Avenue, a series of lateral mains to be located in streets and generally approximately one-half mile apart throughout the district, and including in said system fire hydrants, valves and all apparatus and equipment necessary or convenient therefor, said system to take pressure water service from said Metropolitan water District and/or the Moneta Water Company?"

No absent voter ballots were issued for said election.

That the total number of votes cast at said election (there being only one precinct established for said election) upon said proposition and the number of votes therein for and against said proposition are as follows:

Total Votes in District

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \underline{\text{Yes}} & \underline{\text{No}} & \underline{\text{Total}} \\ \underline{113} & \underline{21} & \underline{134} \end{array}$ 

That the votes of more than two-thirds of all of the voters voting at said election were cast in favor of the adoption of said bond proposition, and said bond proposition has been declared to be carried, and the City Council of the City of Torrance is authorized to issue bonds of said district therefor as provided by law.

I CERTIFY that the foregoing statement of result is a full, true and correct statement of the facts of said canvass and of the results of said election, and that as soon as the result was declared the aforesaid statement was duly entered by me, the City Clerk of the City of Torrance, on the records of said City Council.

ENTERED November 26, 1946.

/s/ A. H. Bartlett City Clerk of the City of Torrance, California

(SEAL)

Clerk Bartlett then presented and read title to:

### RESOLUTION NO. 1808

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, STATING THE RESULT OF THE CANVASS OF ELECTION RETURNS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE NOVEMBER 19, 1946.

Councilman Gilbert moved that further reading of Resolution No. 1808 be dispensed with. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Gilbert moved that Resolution No. 1808 be adopted. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Tolson moved that the City Clerk be ordered and directed to file with the County Assessor of Los Angeles County and with the State Board of Equalization of the State of California a statement

of the creation of Municipal Water District No. 2 of the City of Torrance, together with a legal description of the boundaries of such district and a map or plat indicating such boundaries, all as provided by Section 3720 of the Political Code of the State of California. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

### WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A Resolution, submitted by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, was read, thereby approving the Business License Ordinance, No. 381, proposed by the City Council of the City of Torrance; and thereby commending the Council for its far-sighted and practical consideration of the problems of the business, professional and industrial establishments in Torrance in the adoption of this ordinance. Matter of record.

A check in the amount of \$12,000.00 was received as a Bid for the purchase of Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 14, Torrance Tract, from Mr. Sam Levy, Department Store owner.

Councilman Tolson moved that the Bid be referred to the entire City Council for further consideration. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Wayne Allen, Chief Administrative Officer of the County of Los Angeles, advising that the agreement, copies of which were enclosed in his letter, if executed by the City of Torrance, would provide for the medical and surgical treatment and hospitalization at the County General Hospital of prisoners detained by City authorities. Under the schedule of charges, the Jail care rate was listed at \$7.71 per day. Mr. Allen recommended the execution of this agreement.

Mayor Sherfey stated that he had received a communication from Police Chief Stroh, who advised that the above procedure is being and has been followed for some time in regard to prisoners needing medical attention; and that the agreement, however, will expedite billing and payment procedures and make the whole matter official.

Councilman Tolson moved that Mayor Sherfey be authorized to sign, and otherwise execute, the above-mentioned agreement. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

A communication was read from the Torrance Lions Club, signed by Rollin R. Smith, President, protesting the City's contemplated sale of Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 14, Torrance Tract to any private interests. These lots, situated on the corner of Cravens Avenue and El Prado Street, are in a location suitable for a Memorial Hall, he stated, to contain facilities for Veterans and other patriotic organizations where their work of relief and rehabilitation may be carried on.

Councilman Gilbert moved that the communication from the Lions Club be filed for future reference. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Torrance Post No. 3251, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, requesting that Chief of Police Stroh be authorized to deputize six members of their Post to act in the capacity of auxiliary police at the Friday night dances which they are sponsoring at the Civic Auditorium. They stated that they believed that by so doing it would relieve the Police Department of the extra expense for outside patrol, and at the same time be beneficial to their organization in carrying on their dance program.

Clerk Bartlett then read the communication from Chief Stroh in reply to the request from the V.F.W., in which he stated that he is agreeable to deputizing six of their members, providing that they submit a list of men from which he might choose; and providing they be willing to take orders from the Police Department at all times.

Councilman Powell moved that the Council concur in the recommendation of the Chief of Police. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Esther M. Sharpe, Secretary of the Board of Police Commissioners, 51 City Hall, Los Angeles, enclosing a report of R. T. Dorsey, Trafffic Engineer, for Chief of Police Stroh's consideration. \* Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

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A communication was read from C. T. Leeds, Jr., Manager of the
Los Angeles Office of the Underground Construction Company, requesting a pro-rata rebate of their license fee, a general contractor's
license having been issued them on October 1, 1946, for a three months' period.

During the ensuing discussion, the Councilmen brought out the fact that a general contractor's license is never pro-rated and that, in any job of this type, it is understood that a full license fee be paid.

Councilman Tolson moved that the request for refund be denied. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Richard C. Clutter, 812 Acacia Avenue, advising that he has been unable to sell the pottery which he manufactures, for the Christmas trade, because he did not have it on the market in July when the buyers made their selections. Therefore, he stated, he was requesting permission to sell his ware on the corner of 101 Highway and Newton Street in Walteria, the owner of said property, Mr. Weston, already having given his permission. He stated that he has been issued a city license and requires only the approval of the Council to sell on Sundays before Christmas, at the above-mentioned lot.

Councilman Tolson moved that Mr. Clutter be granted the approval of the Council. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Gil Derouin, Chairman of the Torrance Young Men's Christian Association, 1339 Post Avenue, advising that it would be highly desirable for future strength and growth of the Y Movement in Torrance to operate as an individual Branch rather than an outpost of the San Pedro YMCA. He stated that the only requirement yet to be met is the securing of tangible evidences of community support from leading organizations and individuals.

Councilman Tolson moved that the Council lend its support to this cause, and that Mayor Sherfey be authorized to comply with Mr. Derouin's request that the Metropolitan Board of the Los Angeles YMCA be notified of the Council's endorsement, stating that it is their hope for Torrance to secure independent Branch status. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Sam Rogow, 303 East 220th Street, requesting that a Junk Collector's License be issued him to collect and sell junk in the Torrance area.

Councilman Powell moved that this request be referred to the Chief of Police. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A Resolution, submitted by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and signed by Blaine Walker, Secretary, was read recommending to the City Council of the City of Torrance that such portions of Lomita Flight Strip as are now under control of the City of Torrance or which will be placed under the control of said City be officially known as Zamperini Field, in honor of Louis Zamperini, former Torrance track star who gained world-wide fame in that field; and is considered by the Army Air Forces as one of the outstanding herces of World War II, due to his survival of 47 days on an open raft at sea, months of cruel punishment at the hands of the enemy, and intelligence provided to bring war criminals to justice; and urging that the dedication of this airport as Zamperini Field take place on or about December 7, 1946.

Councilman Tolson moved that this Resolution be endorsed. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Taylor and Taylor, Consulting Engineers for Municipal Water District No. 2, advising that a Resolution be written to the effect that the honds for said district be offered as of January, 1947, while the bond market seems favorable, and that the issue be of thirty (30) years final maturity with deferred redemption until 1950, that the bonds be redeemed \$6,000.00 per year for twenty-nine (29) years, which would make the total issue of \$174,000.00. They recommended the adoption of such a Resolution and, further, that the Consulting Engineers be instructed to proceed with the preparation of plans and specification for the water system, and that bids be received for material at the earliest possible date practical.

Councilman Powell inquired of Mr. Arthur Taylor, who was present at the meeting, if it might not be a saving in interest if the issue were for a twenty (20) year period instead of thirty (30). Mr. Taylor replied that, if the payments were spread out and prolonged for a greater length of time, the payments themselves would be smaller and would probably suit a larger number of people.

Councilman Tolson moved that the Council accept the recommendation of Taylor and Taylor. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 381

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PRO-VIDING FOR LICENSING AND REGULATING THE CARRYING ON OF CERTAIN PROFESSIONS, TRADES, CALLINGS AND OCCUPATIONS CARRIED ON WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE; RE-PEALING ORDINANCES NO. 235 AND NO. 235-A, AND ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

Councilman Gilbert moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 381 be dispensed with. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Gilbert moved that Ordinance No. 381 be adopted for second and final reading. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

# ORDINANCE NO. 382

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REGU-LATING THE PRESENCE OF MINORS IN PUBLIC STREETS AND OTHER PLACES; DEFINING DUTIES OF PARENTS OR OTHERS HAVING THE CARE OF MINORS; REPEALING ORDINANCES NO. 346 AND NO. 359 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

Councilman Gilbert moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 382 be dispensed with. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Gilbert moved that Ordinance No. 382 be adopted for first reading. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN:

Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

### ORDINANCE NO. 383

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 378.

Councilman Tolson moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 383 be dispensed with. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Tolson moved that Ordinance No. 383 be adopted for first reading. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

# ORDINANCE NO. 384

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION XII OF ORDINANCE NO. 379.

Councilman Gilbert moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 384 be dispensed with. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Gilbert moved that Ordinance No. 384 be adopted for first reading. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 385

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, REGULATING THE FILING OF APPLICATIONS FOR WATER CON-NECTIONS, METER SERVICES, WATER RATES, DEPOSITS, DELINQUENCIES AND DISCON-TINUANCE OF WATER SERVICE.

Councilman Gilbert moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 385 be dispensed with. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Gilbert moved that Ordinance No. 385 be adopted for first reading. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

# RESOLUTION NO. 1809

RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TRUNK SEWERS, SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANTS AND OUTFALL SEWERS FOR DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE FROM SOUTH BAY CITIES SANITATION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY INCLUDING A PORTION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Tolson moved that further reading of Resolution No. 1809 be dispensed with. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Tolson moved that Resolution No. 1809 be adopted. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCIL-MEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

### RESOLUTION NO. 1810

RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TRUNK SEWERS, SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANTS AND OUTFALL SEWERS FOR DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE FROM SOUTH BAY CITIES SANITATION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY INCLUDING A PORTION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Tolson moved that further reading of Resolution No. 1810 be dispensed with. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Tolson moved that Resolution No. 1810 be adopted. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Powell moved that Fire Chief J. E. McMaster be authorized to effect a sale of 87 steel helmets which have here-tofore been stored in the fire station and are occupying needed space. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Powell moved that four apparatus engineers of the Fire Department be authorized to receive a salary of \$260.00 per month, in conformance with the salaries of the other two apparatus engineers, as per Fire Chief McMaster's recommendation. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Jackson moved that an appropriation of \$2870.00 be made for the purchase of a small roller for the Street Department upon the recommendation of the City Engineer. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Jackson moved that an appropriation of \$741.00, plus tax, be made for the purchase of 230 gals. of "Prismo" white bead binder, for traffic striping; and 900 lbs. of "Prismo" beads. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Jackson moved that an appropriation of \$840.00, plus tax, be made for the purchase of 400 gals. of "White" Traffic Lacquer for striping City streets, upon the recommendation of the City Engineer. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Jackson moved that an appropriation of not to exceed \$200.00 be made for the purchase of decomposed granite for stockpile

in the Street Department for general street repair. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Jackson moved that an appropriation of \$1450.00 be made for the purchase of road materials for resurfacing 203rd Street, through the built-up residential section. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Jackson moved that the appointment of Robert T. Russell as "Power Equipment Operator II", at a salary of \$260.00 per month, effective November 16, 1946, be authorized. This appointment will supersede that of "Power Equipment Operator I" with a salary of \$225.00 per month, and was recommended by the City Engineer. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Tolson moved that the hiring of Silas C. Whitman and Robert C. Good as bus operators, on a temporary basis, at a salary of \$220.00 per month, effective November 20, 1946, be authorized. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Tolson moved that the Council authorize the hiring of James M. Hale as bus operator, on a temporary basis, at a salary of \$220.00 per month, effective November 13, 1946. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Tolson moved that the City Council authorize the increase in salary of \$220.00 to \$235.00 per month for bus operator Paul A. Drury, effective on payroll period beginning December 1, 1946, he having completed his six months' employment as of November 25, 1946. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Gilbert moved that the City Council grant Mr. John Waugh, an employee of the Park Department, a leave of absence, for a period of three months, commencing December 1, 1946; and to authorize Mr. Fred Blake, Park Department Superintendent, to hire someone to replace Mr. Waugh. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Sherfey moved that an appropriation of \$1720.00 be made for the purchase of one (1) Jeep Automobile with power take-off, and fifth wheel and tire for the Water Department. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Sherfey moved that an appropriation of \$3668.00 be made for the purchase of one Full Powered Crane installed on Ford Truck to replace A. Frame on Dodge Truck, to be used for the Water Department. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Frohman, a taxi driver, addressed the Council, stating that he was distressed at the fact that he could not obtain a license to operate his taxi service. He claimed that, because of the two words, "booking and gambling" in the Taxi Ordinance, Chief of Police Stroh has refused him a license to operate in the City of Torrance.

Although Mayor Sherfey had already discussed this problem with Mr. Frohman and had agreed with Chief Stroh that Mr. Frohman should not be issued a license, he decided, because of Councilman Gilbert's absence at that time, to move that a meeting be arranged between Mr. Frohman, Chief Stroh and the Council, and that Clerk Bartlett be authorized to notify Mr. Frohman as soon as the meeting can be arranged. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Sherfey advised that he had just received a communication from Mr. W. H. Stanger, Water Superintendent, and J. E. McCall, City Attorney, to whom was referred the Bid for cast iron pipe for Municipal Improvement District No. 1, stating that the Bid should be accepted.

Mayor Sherfey moved that the Council authorize the acceptance of this Bid. Councilman Jackson seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Sherfey announced that he had received the recommendation of Mr. Arthur Taylor that the Council reject the Bids for cast iron pipe for Municipal Water District No. 1, and purchase same on the open market.

Councilman Tolson moved that the Council reject the Bids for cast iron pipe, (Item 3 on the Bid Sheets), hold all other Bids over for report at next Regular Meeting, and that the City Glerk be authorized to notify the Bidders whose Bids were rejected. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Tolson moved that all bills properly audited be paid. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Jackson, Powell, Tolson and Sherfey. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

At 9:18 p.m., upon motion by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Gilbert, the meeting adjourned.

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

APPROVED:

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE